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## **VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire Chief Clerk & Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Application of Combined Public Communications, LLC for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Intrastate Resold Institutional Telecommunications Services and for Alternative Regulation within the State of South Carolina

Docket No. 2017-256-C

Dear Ms. Boyd:

The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") reviewed the Application of Combined Public Communications, LLC (the "Company") and does not oppose the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") granting the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide Intrastate Resold Institutional Telecommunications Services and for Alternative Regulation within the State of South Carolina in consideration of the attached Stipulation executed by the parties. Pursuant to the Stipulation, the Company will post a bond. ORS respectfully requests that it be permitted to be excused from the hearing in this matter.

By copy of this letter we are serving all parties of record. Thank you for your consideration regarding our request. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

C. Lessie Hammonds

Encl.

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